

New law creates the Lakeview Street Maintenance District and provides that the district is established for the primary object and purpose of providing supplemental maintenance, repair and upkeep to the streets and alleyways and related infrastructure of Lakeview in order to achieve the overall betterment thereof and thus to improve the quality of life in Lakeview.

New law provides that the district shall be governed by a board of commissioners, consisting of nine members as follows:

- (a) The president of the Lakeview Civic Improvement Association, Inc., ex officio.
- (b) Three members appointed by the board of directors of the Lakeview Civic Improvement Association, Inc..
- (c) One member appointed by the mayor of the city of New Orleans.
- (d) One member appointed by the member or members of the New Orleans City Council who represent the area that comprises the district.
- (e) One member appointed by the assessor of the city of New Orleans.
- (f) One member appointed by the member or members of the House of Representatives who represent the area that comprises the district.
- (g) One member appointed by the member or members of the Senate who represent the area that comprises the district.

New law further provides:

- (1) All members shall be residents and qualified voters of the district.
- (2) At least one member of the board shall reside in South Lakeview and that at least one member of the board shall reside in West Lakeview.

New law provides that the district shall have the following powers and duties:

- (1) To sue and be sued.
- (2) To adopt, use, and alter at will a corporate seal.
- (3) To receive and expend funds collected pursuant to proposed law and in accordance with a budget adopted as provided by new law.
- (4) To enter into contracts with individuals or entities, public or private, to provide supplemental maintenance repair and upkeep to the streets and alleyways and related infrastructure of Lakeview and also to enter into such other contracts as may be necessary to achieve the purpose of the district.
- (5) To enter into any cooperative endeavor between or among the district and the state, any of its local governmental subdivisions, political corporations, or public benefit corporations, the United States or its agencies, or any public or private association, corporation or individual. The term "cooperative endeavor" shall include, but not be limited to, cooperative financing and cooperative development.
- (6) To rent, lease, purchase or otherwise arrange for the use of street maintenance machinery or equipment including a pot hole killer, a motor grader and other similar street maintenance machinery or equipment; and such other property, items and supplies that the board deems necessary and instrumental to achieve the purpose of the district.
- (7) To provide supplemental maintenance, repair and upkeep to the streets and alleyways and related infrastructure of Lakeview in order to achieve the overall betterment thereof.

- (8) To perform or have performed any other function or activity necessary for the achievement of the purpose of the district.

New law authorizes the governing authority of the city of New Orleans to impose and collect a parcel fee within the district. Provides that the fee shall be:

- (1) In an amount that shall be as requested by duly adopted resolution of the board.
- (2) A flat fee per each parcel of land not to exceed \$150 per year.
- (3) Imposed only after approved by a majority of the registered voters of the district who vote at an election held for that purpose in accordance with the La. Election Code.
- (4) Expires four years after initial levy, but may be renewed.

New law provides that the board of commissioners shall adopt an annual budget in accordance with the Local Government Budget Act. The budget and all amendments shall be subject to the approval of the New Orleans City Council.

New law provides that the district shall be subject to audit by the legislative auditor.

New law provides that if the parcel fee is not approved, the district shall cease to exist. If the parcel fee is not renewed, the district shall cease to exist.

New law provides that if the district ceases to exist, any funds of the district shall be transmitted to the governing authority of the city of New Orleans, and shall be used solely and exclusively for providing supplemental maintenance, repair and upkeep to the streets and alleyways and related infrastructure of the Lakeview area.

Effective July 1, 2010.

(Adds R.S. 33:9080.4)